

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1-4, 10-13 and 16 and CANCEL claims 5-9, 14 and 15 in accordance with the following:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An intermediation control apparatus that carries out intermediation between a user and a service provider, the intermediation control apparatus comprising:

extraction means for determining a range of permitted personal information of a user, for disclosure, based on a kind of ~~commodity~~ an insurance request information sent from said user, using a table which defines a correlation between the kind of said insurance and respective sets of personal information being permitted to be disclosed, and extracting said range of personal information from said personal information; and

transaction means for making said extracted range of personal information and contents of a request available to said service provider.

2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~An~~ The intermediation control apparatus according to claim 1, further including memory means for storing said personal information together with a user ID of said user.

3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~An~~ The intermediation control apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said extraction means is responsive to said insurance request information including said user ID, for determining disclosure information of said personal information stored in said storage means based on said user ID and said kind of said insurance request information, and extracting said disclosure information from said personal information.

4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~An~~ The intermediation control apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said transaction means makes said extracted range of personal information and said contents of said request available to said service provider on a site where said service

provider is permitted to access through authentication.

5-9. (CANCELLED)

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer-readable recording medium which stores an intermediation control program for causing a computer to execute intermediation control, said intermediation control program causing said computer to function as execute operations, comprising:

extraction means for determining a range of permitted personal information of a user, for disclosure, based on a kind of commodity an insurance request information sent from said user, using a table which defines a correlation between the kind of said insurance and respective sets of personal information being permitted to be disclosed, and extracting said range of personal information from said personal information; and

transaction means for making said extracted range of personal information and contents of a request available to said service provider.

11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of intermediation control between a user and at least one service provider, comprising:

determining a range of permitted personal information of a user based on a type of commodity an insurance request information sent by the user to the at least one service provider using a table which defines a correlation between the kind of said insurance and respective sets of personal information being permitted to be disclosed;

extracting the range of personal information from a personal information storage; and

making available the extracted range of personal information and the insurance request information available to the at least one service provider.

12. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An intermediation control method between a user and at least one service provider, comprising:

generating a look-up table having information regarding insurance requests from a user, wherein the information is correlated with items of disclosure using a table which defines a correlation between a kind of said insurance requests and respective sets of personal information being permitted to be disclosed; and

extracting a range of information of a user based on a an insurance request sent by the

user and the correlation, and providing the extracted range of information to the at least one service provider.

13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An intermediation control apparatus between a user and at least one service provider, comprising:

an extraction unit for-determining a range of permitted personal information of a user based on a type of an insurance request information sent by the user to the at least one service provider using a table which defines a correlation between the type of said insurance and respective sets of personal information being permitted to be disclosed; and

a transaction unit for-providing the extracted range of permitted personal information of the user to the at least one service provider.

14. (CANCELLED)

15. (CANCELLED)

16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of intermediation control between a user and at least one service provider, comprising:

automatically determining a range of personal information of a user to be disclosed upon receipt of aan insurance request from the user using a table which defines a correlation between a type of said insurance and respective sets of personal information being permitted to be disclosed; and

extracting the range of personal information of the user from stored personal information based on the insurance request from the user and providing the extracted range of personal information of the user to the at least one service provider.